



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2871**
Docket No.: 1185.1044

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Shingo OHKAWA

Serial No. 09/273,448

Group Art Unit: 2871

Confirmation No. 7146

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For: SURFACE LIGHT SOURCE DEVICE OF SIDE LIGHT TYPE AND LIQUID CRYSTAL
DISPLAY

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 116

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 16, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on August 16, 2003. A Petition for a three-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to November 16, 2003.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

Applicant requests entry of this Rule 116 Amendment because the Applicant believed in good faith that the cited prior art does not disclose the present invention as previously claimed.